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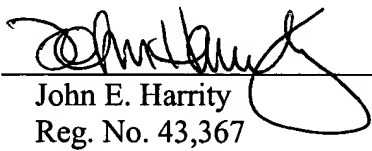
Sir:

Applicants believe no extension of time is required for responding to the final Office Action dated May 20, 2004. Applicants filed an Amendment After Final on July 19, 2004, which is PRIOR TO the two-month date from the final Office Action dated May 20, 2004. Since no Advisory Action has issued subsequent to the filing of the Amendment After Final, the shortened statutory period has not expired. Therefore, no extension of time should be needed for responding to the final Office Action. If an extension of time is required, Applicants hereby petition for the appropriate extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, and request that this fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1070.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1070.

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